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WARNING LETTER

Leroy Plagerman, Owner/Operator Bel-Lyn Farms LLC. 239 Beard Road Lynden, Washington 98264

Re:

March 29, 2010, NPDES Compliance Inspection

NPDES Identifier Number WAU000314

Dear Mr. Plagerman:

On March 29, 2010, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) inspected your facility to evaluate its compliance with the Clean Water Act (CWA). I would like to express my appreciation for your staffs' time and cooperation during the inspection. At the time of inspection, the EPA inspector observed one area of concern.

Storm Drain Catch Basin

The location of the storm drain on the frontage road ditch area is 100 feet from the old waste lagoon and next to a field receiving manure application, this is a potential area in which a discharge could occur.

Although our goal is to ensure facilities comply fully with the CWA, the ultimate responsibility rests with the facility. As such, I strongly encourage your company to continue its efforts to maintain full knowledge of its Permit requirements and the CWA and to take appropriate measures to ensure full compliance. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call Steven Potokar, CAFO Enforcement Coordinator, at (206) 553-6354.

Sincerely,

Kimberly A. Ogle, Manager

NPDES Compliance Unit

cc: Nora Mena, Nutrient Management Plan Program

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